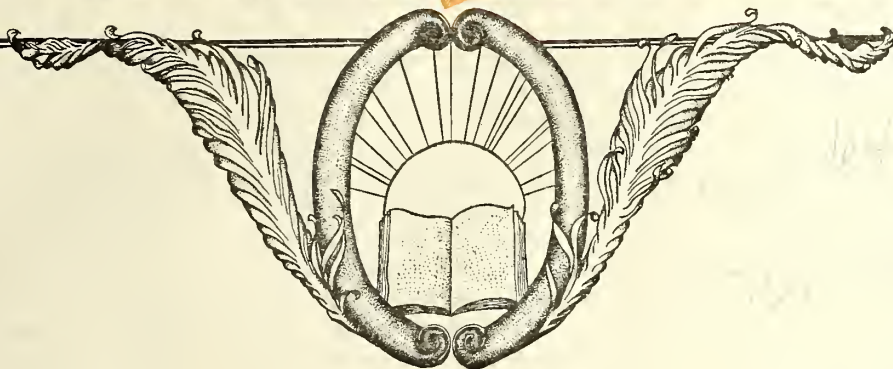


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My dear Sir:-
It has been my privilege to visit a great many colleges during the six years that I have been a Christian Endeavor Guild Secretary, and I want to say, in the public print that Elow is absolutely the finest I have ever seen for a real, true Christian spirit. Everyone - faculty and student body alike - seems to unite to make this spirit what it is.

It was a source of real pleasure to have fellowship with you during my recent visit. I shall never lose the impressions of those two days.

Everywhere I go in North Carolina I see the marks of Elow College work. I am so thankful for your loyalty to Christian Endeavor.

May Elow long continue to be the blessing that she now is.

As I have opportunity I shall always be glad to say a good word for Elow and the Christian

Your sincere friend
Karl Lenhmann
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NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—Suffolk Church has begun the work of adding a \$10,000 annex for additional Sunday school rooms.

—Moreover, beloved, we are learning how to do things and accomplish results, when we decide that a cause is worthy and an enterprise is a necessity.

—At any rate as soon as the plans and specifications can be drawn and approved we will begin the erection of a Publishing House. The funds already subscribed guarantee that much—and more.

—Newport News church has let the contract for four additional Sunday school rooms, the whole being so arranged as to throw the entire floor space into one auditorium of large seating capacity.

—We note with pleasure that last Sunday's Virginian of Richmond carries the face of President W. A. Harper and an article by our worthy president entitled "The Place and Power of College Education."

—Mr. W. E. McClenny, author of *The Life of Rev. James O'Kelly*, formerly of Suffolk, Va., has gone into the banking business at Sunbury, Gates Co., N. C. Mr. McClenny is a tireless worker, a faithful man and deserves success in his worthy venture.

—Somehow there is wide spread and far reaching and deep seated belief that our Publishing House will go all right: and at any rate we have, by God's good help, decided to try. If you do not believe that, look at the names of those who have already taken stock, and there are others who will when opportunity offers.

—We had the pleasure of meeting in Norfolk Rev. Henry Spencer Booth, acting pastor of our Third Church there. Bro. Booth has been well received in Norfolk and has made a favorable impression, and is already deep into the affections of the people he is serving so faithfully.

—In another column appears the annual announcement of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. This College is doing a splendid work for the industries of the State. Its graduates are in demand at good salaries and are found in all walks of industrial life. Young men who desire to fit themselves for useful and remunerative service cannot do better than to inform themselves about this College.

'Tis only a moment God chastens with pain;
Joy follows on sorrow like sunshine on rain;
Then bear thou what God on thy spirit shall lay;
Be dumb; but when tempted to murmur, then pray.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

Mrs. Ida. Va. Roberts, who died at her home in Portsmouth, Va., April 26, 1912, was born in Isle of Wight County, Va., April 20, 1857. Her parents were Wm. A. Andrews and R. Jane Andrews. Her mother lives with Mrs. William S. Johnson, her grand daughter.

She was married in 1873 to John R. Davis of Southampton County, Va., who died in 1875, leaving one child, Cora J., now is now Mrs. Wm. S. Johnson, Gilmerton, Va.

She was married a second time to Wm. A. Roberts of Nansemond County, Va., in 1880 and he died in 1903. There were four children by this marriage, and only three survive as one died in infancy. Jesse V. married and resides in Portsmouth, Va.; Wm. A., who resides in Henderson, N. C.; and Mrs. Bessie J. Hofer, who resides in Portsmouth. Mrs. Roberts leaves five grand children: Mrs. W. S. Johnson has three, Esther Va., Wm. Gay, and Willard Sylvester; Wm. A. has one child, Virginia Mildred; and Mrs. Hofer has one, Wm. Roy.

She leaves two brothers, Benjamin E. and Wm. H. Andrews, who reside in Norfolk and Portsmouth.

Mrs. Roberts was a niece of Mrs. M. E. Nelms and the late Wm. H. Gay, a deacon in the Suffolk Christian church and one of the prominent officials in old Antioch Christian church in Isle of Wight Co., Va. Mrs. Roberts held her membership in Antioch from her girlhood to the time of her death. The Gay family was a noted religious family, influential in their day and clinging to the church with life tenacity. Her mother, Mrs. Jane Andrews, who resides with Mrs. Johnson at Gilmerton, enjoys the esteem of a large circle of religious friends. Her uncle Wm. A. Gay, above mentioned, was a lumber man of enterprising spirit and projected the old Suffolk and Carolina R. R., now the Norfolk and Western which has been one of the largest contributors to the growth of Suffolk. His works still follow him in the world of business as well as in the Sunday school and church.

Mrs. Roberts had been in feeble health for three or four years, but her last sickness commenced March 30th before her death in April. During her sickness she was composed, quiet, and resigned. She sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" and "He Will Carry Me Through" during her sickness, and passed away as a light goes out. The loved ones would not call her back, but their hearts ache when they think of mother gone. Yet they are conscious of having exhausted

human resources for her comfort and recovery.

It was a stormy afternoon when we buried her, but the pall that covered the casket was beautiful and fragrant with spring flowers. Mother! How it touches the heart and awakens memories of by-gone years. Childhood, home, happy days all spring up with that one sweet word whose meaning is unknown till it speaks from the grave.

W. W. Staley.

ELON COLLEGE LETTER.

The Teacher's Personality

The thing that has weight in character-development is life. That is why the parents' influence over their children is paramount. That explains also why it is sometimes said that a minister's children are bad, because the father is so little at home with them in many cases. That is also a great argument for the small College.

I know that the big College looks big, and I know that this is the age of big things, but I also know a few things about the unfolding of life and growth of character, and I know without doubt life is influenced by direct contact with life, and by very little else, during the formative period of youth.

When a young man or young woman goes off to College and does not come into direct contact, intimately, with older persons whose character is Christian, you may expect small results in character-development of the right sort and a large harvest of the wrong kind. Strange that many parents do not realize this, isn't it?

A young man in a big College has been for four years in a certain big professor's class in Latin. He was to graduate the next week, and desired a testimonial from his teacher to aid him in securing a position as a Latin teacher in a small College. I was present as a listener to the conversation. The professor did not remember to have seen the young fellow. After he had asked his name, he inquired what classes he had with him and what mark he had obtained. "Oh, yes, yes," said the professor, "I will dictate to my secretary a letter for you. What is your address?" And so they parted after four years' association in what ought to have been the intimate relation of teacher and pupil, without even a hand-shake or a wish for the young man's success in life. That is a picture of the influence of the teacher's personality in the big College. The sad part of it is that the young man's life had been influenced by somebody's personality during his course, and in all prob-

ability disastrously, at least it so happens in many cases.

A young man graduates at Elon College. He is the personal friend and intimate acquaintance of every member of the Faculty. He desires to secure a position and suggests that his teachers give him a testimonial and they readily agree, adding "I will also write a personal letter to the party you are in correspondence with and will keep on the look-out for a place for you constantly. I shall be glad to be of service to you at any time; don't fail to favor me by calling on me. Whenever you can, come to see me." The character of a teacher of this type has its moulding influence over the life of every young man and young woman in the College. Elon professors encourage the most familiar intimacy with their pupils, with the express design of rendering the best possible service in character-strengthening.

When Mark Hopkins was President of Williams College one of his pupils, then a statesman of international renown, was asked for his definition of a College. "A boy on one end of a log and Mark Hopkins on the other," was his ready response. What was that but the deserved tribute to the teacher's personality and the remark was worthy of the preacher President of the United States who made it. Speaking from experience, this writer knows that the most telling influence in his life was the personal touch he was privileged to have with Christian teachers during his College course.

In selecting your College or in selecting the College for your loved one, you would do well, exceedingly well, to inquire diligently whether the teachers are God-fearing men and women, all of them, for even one scoffer may insert the deadly germ of infidelity into the character of youth, and whether provision is made for personal contact between teacher and pupil such an inquiry will yield you an enormous rate of income in character and life and inure to the success of your sacrifice and endeavor. The great thing in education is not Latin, nor Greek, nor Mathematics, nor English, nor History, nor Science, nor Philosophy, but character, and the only kind of character worthy of the name is Christian. This cannot be had without personal contact of the growing mind and spirit of youth with men and women of sterling wealth of Christian man- and woman-hood. These desiderata cannot be had except in the small Christian College. Shall you profit by the experience of others in this regard or will you learn at your own expense of character the tremendous value of the TEACHER'S PERSONALITY?

W. A. Harper.

THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

How the Account Stands.

We started out to try to place stock in our Publishing House, to the extent of \$5,000, by September 1st. So little did we know the trend and temper of our good people as touching this most needful enterprise. We trust we may be pitied and pardoned for underestimating to such an extent the wisdom and the wish of our good friends and the brotherhood in this matter. We have only made two hurried trips in behalf of the fund, one of two days, another of four, and we already have subscribed \$5,500. Why should we not have a publishing house? Why should we not print our own paper, tracts, bulletins, minutes, catalogues, etc, etc? Others do, and to a profit.

Why have we waited so long to undertake this good and great thing? That is the enquiry on every hand. We must and we will make this undertaking go, by God's good will, is the firm declaration on all sides. And why should we not?

As explained before, the plan is to organize a stock company with ten thousand dollars paid in, as follows: The stock to be sold at \$50 the share par value. As soon as \$5,000 is subscribed, call for half that. Begin the building. As soon as \$5,000 more is subscribed call for half that and begin to equip the plant. At the end of six months from the first payment call for the second payment, and pay for all equipment. Begin work.

On this basis we have secured \$5,500, in subscriptions as follows:

Reported last week\$2,650.00

Received since last week:

R. J. Elliott	1 share	50.00
W. W. Kimball	2 shares	100.00
J. A. Kimball	2 shares	100.00
W. W. Staley	2 shares	100.00
Dr. J. E. Rawls	2 shares	100.00
W. H. Jones, Jr.	5 shares	250.00
H. Woodward	1 share	50.00
J. E. West	1 share	50.00
Holland & Bearmon Co	2 shares	100.00
Ballard & Smith	2 shares	100.00
B. D. Crocker	2 shares	100.00
A. T. Holland	1 share	50.00
Willis J. Lee	5 shares	250.00
Mrs. M. J. Lee	2 shares	100.00
Jno. P. Lee	1 share	50.00
Lyman Brothers	3 shares	150.00
G. W. Nurney	1 share	50.00
R. C. Harrell	1 share	50.00
John King	2 shares	100.00
W. D. Harward	1 share	50.00
C. D. West	2 shares	100.00
S. M. Smith	1 share	50.00
B. L. Nichols	2 shares	100.00
T. A. Jones	2 shares	100.00
Mrs. T. A. Jones	1 share	50.00
G. W. Truitt	5 shares	250.00
Dr. E. C. Ware	1 share	50.00

W. R. McKinney	2 shares	100.00
S. A. Caveness	2 shares	100.00
Jno. R. Foster	1 share	50.00
W. R. McKinney	1 share	50.00

\$5,500.00

Which means that the \$5000 has been subscribed, a nice beginning made on the second five thousand, and that the building is to be planned and erected as early now as possible.

We will now get busy with the building and some other matters, and on this account the active canvass for subscribers will have to be suspended for a season. How we wish engagements were such that we could carry this matter of subscriptions on to a conclusion without any hold up; but other matters claim us and we can only work at this as opportunity allows. We are grateful to those who gave us good cheer and by their response made the work so far a privilege and a pleasure. When our Publishing House gets to be the glad success it should be we intend to plant a flower garden and send each one of them a bouquet of roses whose fragrance, though never so sweet, will be no more delightful to them than their kindness is to us today. God bless them, and prosper bountifully the great cause which we thus undertake together for church, for country, and for better days to be.

The Prohibition Party.

At any rate the National Prohibition Party must be commended for its coherence, integrity and determination. Every four years it goes down in overwhelming defeat, so far as votes and official elections are concerned; but just as often does it assemble again, in due time, and begin its work over. The meeting at Atlantic City recently was well attended, was enthusiastic, and, in keeping with the two great political conventions this year, had a heated contest between progressives and conservatives. Eugene W. Chafin, of Arizona, as four years ago, was nominated for President, and Aaron S. Watkins, of Ohio, for Vice President. Among the planks in the platform adopted are these: Election of Senators by direct vote; one presidential term of six years; uniform marriage and divorce laws; the extermination of polygamy; woman's suffrage; one day in seven for rest; settlement of international disputes by arbitration; the initiative, referendum and recall; abolition of child labor; tariff revision on information secured by a tariff commission; income and inheritance tax; regulation and control of interstate corporations; prohibition of manufacture, importation, transportation, and sale of alcoholic liquors.

HE CARETH FOR YOU.

1 Peter 5:7.

Does God care for me? Was asked by a woman whose three year old child was wounded in the wreck of No. 36 near Greensboro on Saturday July the 6th. "Yes," came the reply from an aged lady who was assisting in getting the child's head from between the backs of two seats.

"No, God does not care for me" She exclaimed. Why? In her hand she held a telegram stating that her mother was dying in a Baltimore hospital. Her husband was a drunkard, her eldest son was in a Federal prison. And now she said "My child must die in a few moments and I'm left to fight the battle of life alone, with not a friend in the world.

"If Jesus cared for me surely he would have spared my only child which has been all the joy and pleasure I have had since my husband became a wreck. And now since it must soon die I know not what I shall do. O think! no husband, no son to care for us, and this my little one must soon die. Without God, with no hope in the world for me I know not what I shall do."

Such was the cry of one who acknowledged her fate in life. It was not a question "Does Jesus care" with me; but "do I care for him as I should?" And have I followed him so close that his presence are with me in an hour like this.

From a later inquiry of her life I learned she was not a Christian and had never made any profession of religion. To such a life as that trouble always comes. It was when Jesus was absent that death came into the home of Mary and Martha and called their brother away. Those who do not know Christ may expect trouble on every side.

But this picture has a bright side. While we were releasing the child this good old mother was telling what Jesus had done for her trying to console the heart broken mother, saying "she had been in many dark places but Jesus had always been by her side."

The Lord must have been in the heart of this mother or her nerves would have gone down in an hour like that, but the secret was Jesus had promised to be with her and she had trusted his promise. Yet the broken hearted mother could not realize that Jesus could love her and let her child die.

It seemed to me that this good woman was not in a position to know that Jesus was caring for her even then. Not only this mother but others in their rush were talking politics, business, and other affairs pertaining to this life; but very few did we

hear talking on matters concerning religion and eternal life.

How often people in their rush in life forget that God is caring for them every day. And many wonder if God cares for them, when the trouble is they do not care for God. And what may any person like that expect but trouble? God cares for them but suffers trouble to come to bring them back to Him again.

But the Christian who lives and walks with Jesus every day, never comes to a place too dark, where the clouds are too thick or the burdens too heavy for Jesus to go with them. "Cast your burdens upon him for he careth for you" said Peter. "Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you."

If men and women would live close to God in time of peace, He would not forsake them in time of trouble, but many live careless lives and when trouble comes they feel they are forsaken by loved ones and God. And many say with the poet—

"Does Jesus care when my way is dark,
With a nameless dread and fear?"

As the day light fades

Into deep night shades,

Does he care enough to be near?"

Then in gladness and peace the answer comes from some child of God—

"O yes, He cares, I know he cares

His heart is touched with my grief;

When the days are weary,

The nights long and dreary,

I know my Savior cares."

If every child of God could realize what this meant the world would be better and we would, like David, say "Yes tho' I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." There is no need for the Christian to become discouraged, for he knows that Jesus cares for him.

Be not dismayed whate'er betide,

God will take care of you!

Beneath his wings of love abide,

God will take care of you!

Through days of toil when heart doth fail

God will take care of you!

When dangers fierce your path assail

God will take care of you!

J. V. Knight.

Elon College, N. C. July 12.

THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

To read from week to week in the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Department of The Sun of the efforts that are being made to establish their work reminds one of a new awakening and indeed it is. To note the new societies that are being organized almost every

week makes us believe they mean business and are determined to carry out the resolution of the Southern Christian Convention. To read the good words in last week's Sun saying "we women can do this if we will," reminds one of the fact that there are those whose lives are filled with a determination and mean to bring things to pass. Then we read further and find these words: "We can do it and we will."

The Convention created the Board, but this Board I am proud to note considered this a small item in the success of its undertakings, for one can see signs of business principles and methodical ideas on every hand. Only last week this writer saw neat packages of stationery and report blanks going to each member of the Board for their use in the movement. But these good women did not get their ideas from the Southern Christian Convention; they have had them, but haven't had the opportunity to use them.

In our estimation there is not a movement in our church at the present day that deserves the time and attention of our people more than this missionary movement. It helps to carry out the mission of the church. It gives a chance for the teaching and training of the young lives of our church, this broadening their usefulness as Christian workers,

The women of the Christian church in the South have never been given the opportunity of doing what they have wanted to do and what they are capable of doing. This writer is yet counted young in years and experience yet we have long seen this need in our church and realized its necessity. But we rejoice that the work is well under way and we believe it the duty of all to give the movement our heartiest support in every way we have opportunity.

C. B. Riddle.

Elon College, N. C.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

The fifth Sunday in June was a happy day for the little church at Liberty in Halifax Co., Va. The occasion was the dedication of the new house of worship. Some time before the hour for the services to begin people began to gather at the church. They continued to come till there were about six hundred present. Of our own people there were representatives from Virgilina, Ingram and Pleasant Grove. Dr. J. U. Newman was present by invitation to preach the sermon and dedicate the church. The sermon was in the forenoon from the subject, "Christ the Foundation of the Church." The discourse was scholarly, yet presented in a plain comprehensive manner and

was an inspiration to those who heard. After the sermon the building was solemnly dedicated to the worship of God. No collection was taken to pay any indebtedness.

There was an abundance of dinner, possibly enough for several hundred people more than were present. In the afternoon Dr. Newman was to speak in the house and the writer on the yard, but rain interfered, and each spoke in the building to a crowded house. The pastor talked on the history of the church, and was followed by Dr. Newman with an address on "The Principles of the Christian Church."

This church was organized in a school house near Nathalie, Va., in Nov., 1910, with sixteen members. Since that time a house of worship has been built, worth with its furniture \$1200. The membership at present is thirty-six. They have regular monthly preaching, a good Sunday school, and a live Christian Endeavor society. The church is in a thickly settled community and about three miles from any other church. The congregations during the winter averaged about one hundred. I have served this church since its organization and have never labored among a kinder, more appreciative and self-sacrificing people. We are planning a series of meetings to begin second Sunday in August.

C. E. Newman.

"OLD TIME RELIGION" AS AN EXCUSE FOR DRY ROT.

"I hate the expression, 'Old-time religion,'" remarked a consecrated country preacher. His hearer was greatly shocked, and so the preacher went on to explain what he meant. "I did not say I hated the old-time religion, but what I hate is using the words as a subterfuge for laziness, stinginess and even filth." The preacher talked like a man who had been up against a spirit of repression, and who had spirit enough to resent it. Everyone familiar with country churches knows that all too frequently every reasonable innovation or reform means a battle royal and sometimes a "split." And this, too, not in cases involving orthodox doctrine and sound practices, but in little matters of usage where absolutely no principle is at stake.

Heterodoxy is getting over the fence of another plantation. Progressiveness is only plowing the old one deeper and trying some new crops and new methods of cultivation. But many brethren cannot to save their lives see the difference.

In almost every church there is an old fellow in the "amen corner" who is a specialist on the "old-time religion."

Do the progressives want a new meeting-

house? The old one was good enough 50 years ago, it must do now.

Are the pews uncomfortable? Our fathers enjoyed religion on them, it would be a reflection on their memory to change them.

Do the young people demand an organ? They must by no means be allowed to have it, for the brother with a tuning fork would be out of a job—and our fathers did not need an organ.

Old-time religion spat on the floor and the privilege must still be allowed.

Old-time religion brought the hound dogs to church, and filled the aisles of the church with squalling babies.

Old-time religion hustled the Sunday-school into "winter quarters" with the first cold autumn wind.

Old-time religion, the kind the old-timers had, may not have been guilty of all this, but the "old-time religion" specialist in the amen corner says it was and he will not suffer contradiction. He tells the pastor to go slow on missions, because our first duty is at home. The pastor knows that the brother has no idea of doing his duty at home or anywhere else. Education must be tabooed, if an address on it is to be followed by a collection. If individual communion cups are mentioned this brother with tobacco juice on his chin insists that it is the Christian duty of the refined and delicate lady next to him to drink out of a cup into which he has dipped his filthy mustache. The preacher wishes to introduce some improvements in the mode of worship, which he has learned elsewhere and observed to be profitable. He is met by a shriek of "style," and accused of debasing the "old-time religion" with highfalutin manners brought from the wicked city.

Thus the preacher is reduced to a drudge and a hack, and when the last spark of mettle and initiative has disappeared he is held up to young preachers as an example of orthodoxy and safety. Of course, there is no danger in the heels of a dead mule.—Rev. Chas. L. Greaves, in *Progressive Farmer*.

MORNING FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD.

We cannot safely face our fellows until we have faced God. God can bless others through us only after we have let him bless us. So it is that the regular observance of the Morning Watch alone with God, at the very start of the day, is so richly blessed to others and to ourselves. Dr. John Timothy Stone has said: "Face the work of every day with the influence of a few thoughtful quiet moments with your own heart and God. Do not meet other people, even those of your own home, until you have first met the great guest and honored companion of your life—Jesus Christ. Meet

him regularly. Meet him with his open book of Counsel before you." Christ can literally supply a life with himself when such a morning watch is kept in faith and obedience. And only in the Christ-supplied life can God work his will throughout the pressures and pitfalls of a Satan beset day.—*S. S. Times*.

VICTORY THROUGH PRAISE.

Simply to praise God is a secret of power. It may be hard to believe this in an age when most of the emphasis is on "doing things." To "get out and hustle" looks like a more effective way both of achieving and of learning how to achieve, than to keep still and think of God. Yet there is no school of equipment for aggressive, conquering efficiency that compares with the school of grateful, worshipful companionship with God, in time spent apart and alone with him. The Psalmist knew this when he prayed,

"To triumph in thy praise."

It takes knowledge of God to praise him intelligently. And such praise also adds to our knowledge of him. It rejoices his heart, and it opens our heart to his infilling presence. It strengthens our union with him; it permits him to drive out from our being the weakening, clogging things that have hindered his walking the pathway of triumph. If I would let Christ lead me always in triumph, then let me decide that

"I will bless Jehovah at all times,

His praise shall continually be in my mouth."—*S. S. Times*.

WINCHESTER LETTER.

Subscriptions on \$8,000 indebtedness.

Previously reported\$368.75

Received since—

Col. Robt. F. Leedy	5.00
Prof. A. Lucius Lincoln	5.00
F. D. Feight	25.00
Rev. W. G. Clements	5.00
Rev. J. C. Stewart	5.00

Total\$413.75

Cash contributions:

Previously reported\$5,711.01

Received since—

N. M. Smaly	5.00
Prof. S. E. Denton	1.00
Total	\$5,717.01

We are thankful for all subscriptions and contributions.

W. T. Walters.

Winchester, Va., July 10, 1912.

—Rev. W. L. Wells, Columbus, Ga., has received ten members the past quarter and reports the Rose Hill church in a state of growth, development and hopefulness.

EDITORIAL.

FIRES THAT BURN.

Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.—Matt. 13:30.

There be people in the world today who do not believe in a devil and in hell fire. Our age is getting too delicate and dainty and cultured and refined for that.

All of which would be exceedingly comforting and gratifying indeed, if only our not believing these things would abolish them. If Satan would let me alone because I did not believe in him I could afford to be skeptical about his existence. But he does not seem to get obliterated because I chance to not believe in him. Satan seems obstinately unwilling to get abolished because of any belief or unbelief on my part about his being.

Furthermore, and this is to the point, Jesus the Christ not only believed in a personal devil, but knew that there was one with whom He had to do and to deal on more occasions than one. In the lesson of today Christ speaks of Satan as a person, as a very active and evil person, as an enemy, as one who sows seeds and awaits the harvest. He speaks also of fires that burn, those that destroy, consume, devour: those that cause anguish and misery and pain. Satan is exceedingly busy. If you think he is dead, or does not exist, go into the haunts of sin and shame and crime and tell what and who it is that brings men and women to this low degree.

Watch this fair, fine, tender, loving boy in the home. See how splendid and noble and fair and comely he looks.

Then watch him when sin begins to get planted in his life and in his heart. It begins to estrange him, to take away his health and glow and happiness. Satan is having his way with the boy and you can see it in his face and features.

This is what the lesson of today treats of. We are here in a world where the good and the bad are allowed to be and to grow together. And furthermore, we are to work and watch and pray and plead lest the bad shall outgrow the good and shall take possession and uproot the good and choke it out. The lesson also teaches that the bad are here, as the tares, and that they thrive with the good, the wheat, and will do so until the end.

The field is the world. This invites us, this allures and charms and challenges us. We may go forth into this world to make

it a better, brighter, happier place, and this all of us should strive to do, and to keep out and keep down the tares.

WHEREIN THE EDITOR SEES THINGS.

This writer went visiting last week. Therein is our story, several stories in fact, if they may be told. But the telling cannot make the reader see and feel as did the writer, even if the writer were to strain his conscience and exaggerate ever and ever so much. Our always comforting and practical philosopher, Dr. W. W. Staley, says that when one hangs a two pound "chub" and the "chub" gets away just before he is landed, one does not desire to exaggerate, or falsify, if one tells his friends that the "chub" certainly must have weighed at least five pounds; that one is an artist, is trying to paint a picture and wants his hearers to feel as he himself felt when he was pulling that "chub". (Which bit of philosophy helped to ease this writer's conscience considerably when he remembered certain experiences he had had, and the subsequent fish story.) If herein and now we seem to exaggerate about the sights we saw last week, put it down that we do not mean to overdraw or to falsify, but that we have turned traveller's artist and desire to paint a picture, and so let the reader feel in the reading as we did in the seeing. That will be enough.

The first swing off was at Manson N. C. in the burning heat of last Tuesday at 1:30 P. M. A nine miles drive—it seemed nineteen—brought us to the good home of our congenial friends, Will and Jake Kimball. These are farmers; not agriculturalists not experimentalists, but just farmers, farmers who bring things to pass, grow crops that make "an experiment station" or a "State farm" look puny and cheap and insignificant in comparison. We found them on that Tuesday afternoon in the first and only real tobacco field we have ever seen. The great field was rolling as to surface, there being some three or four gently sloping hill-sides with their intervening ravines and inviting valleys, and the whole broad area, undulated in the brisk breeze of the evening, grown and golden now with the strong and stalwart tobacco weed, told in eloquent terms the story of busy hands, faithful toil and happy, wholesome activity. There wasn't a sorry or a puny plant in the whole hundred and thirty thousand, every one of which reached to the shoulders of the busy men engaged in their keep and cultivation. It was a triumph to the planter's care and skill such as we had seldom, if ever, witnessed before, and a blending of

nature's bounty and man's ingenuity in a marked and marvelous manner. These fine brothers are making a fortune farming and their hearts are as fertile of good deeds as their hundreds of acres of of valuable products. They are intensely interested just now in the pardonable project shared, we understand, by the whole community, of tearing down their old church building, Mt Auburn, and erecting a large and more suitable house of worship. There is no community in which a sweeter fellowship prevails than this, and when the membership there sets at this building, as is contemplated now shortly, dear, good Mt. Auburn will have a building that will reflect credit upon its hallowed name. As touching the Kimball farm I thought of George Eliot's famous philosophy to this effect, that whatever is well done makes that thing seem desirable to do. So when I witnessed that fine farm, then and there farming seemed a most delightful and desirable occupation. No occupation is desirable unless it is made worthy and inviting by those who engage in it. The poor and indifferent preaching of our time accounts in a measure, for the dearth of the number entering the ministry. Those of us who do preach do not preach well enough to make preaching seem to be a desirable thing to those casting about for a calling and a profession. A few hours' ride by rail the next morning brought us to Suffolk. If there is a finer city than Suffolk, finer and better in courtesy, Christianity and citizenship, we have never yet found it. Nor do I know which is the greatest asset of the good city, Dr. W. W. Staley, The Farmer's Bank, or the Peanut Factories, (though I see it is claimed now that this is the greatest peanut market in the world and one which handles six thousand bags, great bulging bags of I know not what capacity, each work day of the year). Dr. Staley is the pastor of the whole population we suppose and seems to know everybody there and thereabout and to be known and loved in return by everybody. We decided while at the Kimballs that farming was the finest occupation ever; but when we had spent an hour in Dr. Staley's presence we wished then and there that we knew how to preach and could be a real good and beloved pastor like he is. The work goes well in Dr. Staley's field and his people are moving now to put a ten thousand dollar annex on to their already commodious, but now inadequate church building. The annex will be for Sunday school purposes and the work has already begun. It will add greatly to the conveniences and comfort of the building and make it ample for the hundreds of busy

Sunday school workers who gather there every Sabbath morning.

Dr. J. E. Rawls is one of Suffolk's busiest men and most able practitioners and a half hour's good talk in his comfortable quarters persuaded us that a doctor's life was a wholesome and happy one, and that doctoring was better than editing, as a profession. When "Jape" was a student at Elon College we used to try to beat him at tennis and couldn't. The reason is now apparent. He hits hardest and goes the limit at whatever he undertakes, and will not be excelled. He honors what he undertakes and glorifies his high profession.

The day in Suffolk was delightfully spent, meeting many friends and being helped generously in the work which we had undertaken. Now at the close of the day our friend Herbert Holland generously gave us place in his automobile for a fourteen mile ride to Town Point and to loved ones there. Herbert is health seeking and leaves next Monday for a great ranch out in Wyoming where the climate is inviting, the hunting is fine and the fishing is great. It would be worth getting sick some to go with him. It is a day and night by fast train to Chicago, and that is only one fourth the distance out to the ranch that promises him health and a month's recreation. Here is wishing that his strength may be fully restored, for there is no greater nor more gracious soul in all our knowledge. If space allowed I would tell Sun readers something of the ranch life that he goes to seek and to live. It sounds like entering a fairy land to be enchanted and beguiled with joyous pastime and delightful dreams.

That the winds blow and the rains fell in torrents Thursday night detracted nothing from the delight of spending the evening, night and early morning in the T. A. Jones cottage on Willoughby Beach; save the fishing had to be cut out, though its anticipation and near indulgence did us good. A happy family this, three strong, stalwart manly sons, with fine cordiality and generous manners, and an accomplished daughter, now the wife of an army officer of high rank, now home for the summer from the Philippines. Hospitality is lavish in this home and the hours spent there were delightful and refreshing indeed, sweetened by happy and buoyant talk, by wholesome sea breezes, and real, cordial fellowship. If occasion ever permits, we will yet strain to the limit this hospitality some happy time by a prolonged stay—see if we don't.

A half hour's ride by the boat brought us to Old Point, and thirty minutes more by street car to Newport News. The work

goes well there with Rev. W. D. Harward. His church is to be enlarged and improved by adding four Sunday school rooms and some fresh paint. About \$800. or more is to be spent and the work is to begin forthwith.

Friend C. D. West rejoices in a great home, a charming wife and a perfect wonder of a baby, six weeks old. How happy and fortunate West is. His wife is beautiful and thinks he is great; his baby is marvellous and beames on him with pride; his home is comfortable and makes one want to tarry there and beguile the hours, and his business goes well. He loves his church, serves his God, and is spending a life in an honest, faithful successful pursuit. He has a heart as big as that ship-yard hard by (in which seven thousand men labor daily) and his deeds of courtesy, generosity and kindness, equal in number and usefulness the blows that are struck in that same ship yard for building ships that carry the armies and the commerce of the world.

Our faithful, generous, charitable deeds are like ships any way, and go out upon the seas and away from our visions, returning in after days laden with cargoes of precious treasures that we had not thought of nor dreamed about. These make the world rich and life good and wholesome and happy, whether we farm or preach, or practice medicine or engage in trade, traffic or commerce. We exalt and dignify life and labor by the heart and soul, worth and merit we ourselves carry into it.

A few hours in Norfolk and a night's ride brought us home. We are thinking now of the unnumbered favors shown us and the dear friends met and mingled with the past week, and if space permitted we would make this letter many times longer and dwell a season yet upon the faces seen and the fellowship revelled in. But we shall keep these in the treasure house of our memory and they will guard and gladden us in the days and weeks to come. God bless the unnumbered honest men and faithful women who with toil and task and treasure sweeten the days of our existence and make this world a wholesome and a happy place to live in.

ELON'S CLAIM AND CALL.

We are pleased to present on first page this week a very high tribute, as it seems to us, to Elon College and the spirit that is endeavored to be engendered and developed here. A college has many sides, touches many lives, and has to deal with very many complex problems. On this account it must, in the course of human efforts and failures, make some mistakes,

seem to some to be insignificant and not worth while. There never was an earthly institution above criticism, mistakes and human weakness.

But this we know. The president and faculty of Elon College are a company of men and women whose heart and soul are in the work they are doing and whose very life is being spent for its development and upbuilding. There is a Board of Trustees behind these worthy men and women who are business-like, consecrated and devoted to the great cause and institution entrusted to their keeping. Furthermore, a united people, loving Christian liberty and holding to the Bible as their only rule of faith and practice, are pouring their devotions, their prayers and their sacrifices into this institution to make it great. These all are doing their best. Their call is for students and patrons who believe in the cause they champion and the great institution they have built.

So far Elon has not been a disappointment. Neither has its work been a source of chagrin or even regret to any who have given it a fair trial. It has, through twenty-two years, been weighed in the balances, and has not been found wanting. Moreover, it has grown through all these years, grown in prestige and in power, in influence and in favor, in equipment and in efficiency, and most of all in the admiration and affections of those who have tested it and patronized it.

This then is Elon's modest, but proud and pardonable claim: that she will do her very best for culture and for character, for intelligence and refinement, for manhood and for womanhood, wherever and whenever the opportunity is afforded her; and she calls for further opportunity in this good undertaking by being allowed a larger and more liberal patronage through which to further demonstrate the virtue and validity of her claims. Elon has made good, and now seeks patronage, not merely because she desires it, but deserves it, and is willing to stand upon her merits and achievements so far.

The annual catalogue of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, at Raleigh, has been received. It shows an enrollment for the year of 619 students, divided as follows: Agricultural 293, Mechanical Engineering 106, Electrical Engineering 90, Civil Engineering 77, Chemical 27, and Textile 26. Persons interested in technical education will do well to read the catalogue of this growing institution, which may be had by addressing a request to The Registrar, West Raleigh, N. C.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor.

This department under the direction of Young People's General Convention. Frequent news items from Sunday schools, organized classes, and C. E. societies are desired. If you are interested in either or about to organize, address the department's editor,

CHARLES A. HINES, Editor and Cor. Sec.,

Greensboro, N. C.

N. C. AND VA. CONVENTION.

The Young People's Convention for the North Carolina and Virginia Conference met with Monticello Christian Church Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of last week. Not all the churches in the Conference were represented, but it was probably attended by more delegates than any of the Conventions yet held in the Conference. The Monticello people were charming in their hospitality, and delegates were entertained most delightfully.

At the opening session Tuesday the address of Welcome was made by Rev. L. I. Cox, pastor, and the response on behalf of the Convention was by retiring Secretary J. G. Truitt. A number of interesting short talks were made at the session. Officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: Rev. J. O. Cox, President; R. D. Thompson and C. C. Peel, Vice Presidents; R. A. Truitt, Secretary; F. C. Lester, Treasurer.

Tuesday afternoon Rev. L. E. Smith spoke on "The Teacher's Responsibility." Miss Clara Sharp read a paper on Teacher Training, and Mr. Alfred Apple told how he had a successful Teacher Training Class at Apple's Chapel. Tuesday night Rev. L. E. Smith preached to a large congregation.

Wednesday morning the report on Teacher Training was submitted by Dr. Harper and was adopted. The Committee on Sunday schools made its report, which was followed by general discussion of the needs of Sunday schools and how to supply them. Miss Clara Sharp read a paper on Sunday school work, which was followed by an address by Rev. J. O. Cox on "The Teacher."

The afternoon session was devoted to organized classes. The committee report was read by Chairman J. G. Truitt. Under this head Mrs. L. E. Smith read a paper on organized class work, and addresses were made as follows: "The Class as the Unit in the Sunday School," Chas. A. Hines; "What the Organized Class Has Done for Us," Rev. J. V. Knight; "Benefits of Organization," Dr. W. A. Harper. Rev. C. C. Peel presented the report of the committee on home missions, which he discussed, and which was adopted. In the evening Rev. J. V. Knight delivered an interesting sermon.

Christian Endeavor was the theme

Thursday morning. The committee reported, after which there was an open parliament conducted by Dr. Harper, and several short talks. The reports showed that Christian Endeavor has not taken a very firm hold upon the people of this Conference. It is believed that the inspiration received at the Convention will remedy this to some extent.

Haw River Christian church was chosen as the place of next meeting.

NOTES ON C. E. TOPIC, AUGUST 4.

The Christian Virtues: VIII. Temperance.—1 Cor. 9:19-27.

Consecration Meeting.

There are matters to which temperance does not apply. The day has gone by when we can speak of using strong drink as a beverage temperately. Its evils are too great. Few men and no children can use tobacco moderately. It enslaves them. So there can be no temperance with regard to gambling, or vice of any sort. Those things that cause us or others to stumble must be cut off and cast from us, if we wish to carry out the will of Jesus.

Temperance is needed, in these days, in speech. We talk in superlatives. We exaggerate inordinately. Our words are forked lightning, swift and deadly. Temperance is needed in diet. We overeat. The Roman soldiers that built wonderful roads and subdued kingdoms lived on brown bread and sour wine. The heavy work of the world is not done by the men that eat the largest quantity of food.

So also we must be temperate in our amusements, our hobbies, our desire for property or wealth, and our interests, that we do not grow lopsided, but develop harmoniously into strong, self-controlled manhood.

Temperance means self-control, the power of calm choice, and of self-denial. It is bit and bridle to every passion. It is freedom in all directions, and its opposite, intemperance, is slavery.—C. E. World.

Suggestive Illustrations.

Remember that he who helps to remove the saloons does as much good as he who helps to build schools and churches.

Very often the question in the family has been between bread for the little ones

and beer for those who should have been their protectors. In many cases the latter has triumphed.

No one can read Gough's life without a deepened pity for the drunkard, and a deepened sense of responsibility for speaking the kind words that may save him from his awful fate.

Once after he took the pledge, John B. Gough fell, but earnest friends rallied around him, and he became the victor over appetite. He says that in this experience he learned to depend, not on himself, but on God.

Our cities and towns are dotted with fine houses which have been paid for from the pitiful pennies of the poor. They have allowed the appetite for drink to cause them to place on the altar of the rich all of their earnings. There is no such thing as improving the condition of the very poor without banishing the great cause of poverty.

In the Scriptures temperance means self-control. This virtue is fundamental. The natural tendency is to yield to appetite, passion, temper, but by self-control these are held in check, and those qualities which are the adornment of Christian life are given an opportunity to develop.

Meteor-like lives have their day and are gone. The even, well-balanced, temperate life shines like the eternal stars and blesses all on whom it shines. Let a person cultivate temperance along one line and he will find himself growing temperate in all things. Paul gives us the highest motive for practising this virtue. Temperance is not to be followed merely for its own sake, but that we may win others to the gospel of Christ.

Some have said that the reformed drunkard is an argument in favor of those who protest that they can quit drinking, and be none the worse for it. Listen to these words from a man who escaped from the possession of the demons: "Saved I may be so as by fire, yet the scar of the fire is upon me. Do I bear about with me the remembrance of those days? Yes, always. In the midst of the pleasant social circle, the ghost of the past comes gliding before me, and words seem to be hissed in my ears, 'What of your record?'"

The drunken Rip Van Winkle used to make an invariable excuse for his lapses, saying, "I won't count it this time." Perhaps, also, the heavenly Father didn't count it; perhaps the recording angel blotted it out with that proverbial tear of pity; but down inside of Rip Van Winkle's self the nerve fibres, the brain cells, the molecules, were counting it up against another day of temptation. Every yielding to temptatoin, even the ones he

did not count, wrought itself out in his bones, his flesh, his blood, and nerve-stuff. He was henceforth a weaker man.—The Expositor.

For Daily Reading.

Mon., In all things, 1 Cor. 7:29-31.

Tues., In food, Phil. 3:17-21.

Wed., In speech, Jas. 3:1-6.

Thurs., In opinion, Rom. 14:13-21.

Fri., The liquor evil, Luke 21:34-36.

Sat., The Spirit's fruit, Gal. 5:22-26.

Sun., Aug. 4.—Topic.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

The Young People's Convention of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference convened in a three days session with our Monticello church July the 16th. The forenoon of the first day was devoted to organization and the Annual address. The following were selected as officers: Rev. J. O. Cox, President, Bro. L. D. Rippey, superintendent of our Bethlehem school, 1st Vice-President; Rev. C. C. Peel, 2nd Vice-President; Bro. R. A. Truitt, Secretary; and F. C. Lester, Treasurer. In the absence of Prof. W. P. Lawrence, who had been appointed to deliver the Annual Address, Bro. R. D. Thompson, the faithful wide-awake superintendent of our Pleasant Grove school inspired the convention with zeal and enthusiasm in one of his characteristic talks on the Sunday school. Bro. Thompson does not need any special preparation to make a Sunday school address for he stays prepared all the time.

The afternoon session was given over to the work of the teacher. Rev. L. E. Smith delivered a great address on the Teacher's Responsibility, Miss Clara Sharp read a most excellent paper on Teacher Training, while Rev. L. I. Cox in a very inspiring speech told of the success of Teacher Training in Apple's Chapel school.

At the night session Rev. L. E. Smith preached a soul thrilling sermon from this text: "I must work the works of him that sent, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work." The sermon was addressed especially to the young people, but its appropriateness had no age limit, and we all enjoyed it.

The convention met at 10 A. M. the second day, and after devotional exercises Bro. C. A. Hines, Superintendent of our Greensboro school (1st Church) read the report of the Committee on Sunday schools, and lead in the discussion of the same. Miss Clara Sharp again favored the Convention with a well prepared paper on "The Call of the Sunday School." Many of the delegates spoke of the greatest needs of their school; which was followed by a brief address by Rev. J. O. Cox on "The Need of Consecrated Teachers."

The afternoon of the second day was devoted to Organized Class Work, and Home Missions. Rev. C. C. Peel read the report of the Committee on Home Missions and made the address on the subject. Bro. J. S. Truitt read the Committee's report on organized Classes. Chas A Hines addressed the convention on The Unit of Organization in Sunday school work, and argued that the class should be the unit of organization. Mrs. L. E. Smith read an excellent paper on the need for Organizing Classes?

The night session was again given to the preaching of the Word. Dr. Atkinson was on the program for this hour, but in his absence Rev. J. V. Knight, one of Elon's promising students from the Alabama Conference, filled the place on the program so well that it was declared by some that Alabama shall no longer be famed for its cotton or sugar cane but for its preachers.

Thursday morning was given to the consideration of the Christian Endeavor work, and to matters of business at the conclusion of which the convention adjourned to meet next time with our Sunday school at Haw River.

The Convention was well attended and well entertained by the good people of Monticello church and community. They not only fed us but they enjoyed the convention with us and helped to make it a success, for all of which the convention was profoundly grateful J. O. Cox.

THE NEED OF CONSECRATED TEACHERS.

The "teacher problem" is perhaps the greatest problem connected with Sunday school work. This can be accounted for in part by the impotence of the position and the vital relationship between the teacher and his work. The success or failure of the school depends upon no one quite so much as the teacher. A good superintendent is essential to the life and growth of every school, and much depends upon him, yet the best superintendent in all the world can accomplish but little without faithful and efficient teachers.

The time was when the "Model Superintendent" was discussed at every Conference and Convention; but things have changed now, and the superintendent is enjoying a little rest, while the teacher is being discussed at almost every Sunday school gathering; and books are being written upon his work. We are learning, at last, that even a model superintendent can't conduct a successful Sunday school by himself. The need of faithful and efficient teachers is being emphasized as never before.

Nearly every denomination has its book on teacher training, and many schools have classes that are studying to show themselves "workmen that need not to be ashamed" in teaching the Word of God. I am glad for this. It marks the beginning of a better day in Sunday school teaching. We need more intelligence in the Lord's work, but intelligence alone will not produce results. The intelligence and training must be consecrated. This truth was indelibly impressed upon me some years ago when traveling among the churches for the church paper I chanced to reach one of our churches at the time of its revival meeting. They were having a large attendance with two services per day and dinner served on the ground. I was not long in deciding that it would be a profitable thing for me to attend this meeting. I tarried in the community some three days. A young lady of this community and a member of this church had graduated the year before at the head of her class, both in music and in the literary branches. She was a girl of wonderful musical talent and had had good opportunities for improving them; but when the opportunity came for her to use her improved talents for the glory of God and the good of her church, she spent the larger portion of her time out on the church grounds, and did not even go in the choir a second time during the three days that I was there. Now this was an intelligent lady with wonderful gifts, and she had been trained for service, but she lacked consecration; and without consecration all her musical gifts, and all of her training amounted to naught—they failed to glorify God and bless His cause.

Training is important and is essential to the larger useful life, but unless it is dedicated to God's service it can not promote His cause in the earth. Some one has defined Consecration as the surrender of that which is evil for God, and the surrender of that which is good to God. I like this definition, and when our teachers practice it we shall see a new day dawn in our Sunday school work.

J. O. Cox.

—The manufacture, sale, or importation into the United States of absinthe has been prohibited after October 1st of this year. It has been ruled out under the pure food law as "a beverage dangerous to health." Now if all alcoholic liquors, nearest of kin to absinthe, could be ruled out on the same ground, our country could well afford to breathe easier and expect to become far richer than ever in a few years. For nothing destroys wealth and health like alcohol.

al government to use their influence in accordance with the suggestion of the State Board of Health.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Dedication of Liberty Church, Halifax County, Virginia.

About two years ago a few members of the Christian church living "across the river" invited Rev. C. E. Newman to preach at Nathalie en route to his appointment at Virgilina, Va., thirty-five miles distant. During the year a church was organized with less than a score of members which has increased to about forty. Since admission to conference last fall a handsome, well arranged house has been built at an outlay of \$1250. This represents only a part of the cost as the members among whom were a painter and carpenter did much of the work. A more loyal and enthusiastic membership is seldom seen. Some young ladies paid \$50 into the building fund.

Sunday June 30 was an ideal day. A large crowd, enough to fill two churches. Many from thirty to forty miles—Virgilina, South Boston, Pleasant Grove, and others.

No appeal was made for money as the church was paid for before day of dedication.

Program.

Sermon by Rev. J. U. Newman, followed by dedication.

Dinner.

Address by Rev. C. E. Newman—History of the Church.

Address by Rev. J. U. Newman—Principles of the Christian Church.

The singing was inspiring, entertainment was abundant. The good cheer and Christian fellowship like that of a union camp meeting..

The outlook is full of promise. Good membership, good neighborhood and good brotherly feeling among the churches. Never enjoyed a visit more. It does a man good to be in such a community, and especially in such a home as Bro. Bray's, who fifty years before had lost one leg on the battle field and since has reared and educated a large family and now is happy that he can worship the God of his fathers in the church of his love.

J. U. Newman.

Raleigh.

Dear Friends: The weather is quite warm here in Raleigh, but our little band of workers continues faithful. The building fund of the church continues to grow, and we are hopeful of getting all the money we need for the work. Of course it will take some time to realize enough

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to give us what we need, but we are willing to wait for our blessing, feeling confident that the blessing will come if we continue faithful. The harmony in our church is very good. We have a few members who are not trying to help in any way, but only a few. Almost all trees have a few dead limbs. We would feel discouraged on their account if we just had the time, but we keep so busy trying to do some thing for God and his kingdom, that we do not have the time to bother much with those who are not interested, and who do not care. There is work and joy for all who do care, it is these that we try to encourage, and help. The life that we already have, will become more abundant, if we improve the same. There are young men and women in almost every community who will work and live godly lives if they are given a chance and encouraged.

Our Sunday school superintendent is at this time in the mountains of Western North Carolina trying to regain his health and strength. We wish him a happy vacation and hope he may be fully restored to health. He is an excellent Sunday school man. It will be hard to get along without him this summer, but we are only too glad to try if it means full restoration for him. Our school has elected a fine set of delegates to the Eastern North Carolina Sunday School and Young People's Convention, which meets at Liberty Church near Henderson July, 23, 24. Our Christian Endeavor will be represented also by an active delegation. We had three delegates at the State Christian Endeavor Convention which convened in Wilmington. They brought back much knowledge and inspiration. Our Christian Endeavor is doing well under the new president G. W. Phillips. We have invited the State Convention to meet with us next year.

During the past quarter I have baptized eleven candidates. The membership of our church is growing, and we are hopeful of a good sized church in Raleigh some day. The work is in much better shape, and will no doubt succeed beyond the ex-

pectation of some. We solicit the prayers and cooperation of the entire brotherhood in our behalf, trusting that you will not forget us in our endeavor to build up this work.

Sincerely,

L. F. Johnson.

Raleigh Christian Church Building Fund.

Previously reported	\$7,183.58
Mrs. W. M. Weathers	2.00
James Wilson	1.00
J. W. Turner	5.00
Bessie Farrall	5.00
J. E. Holland	1.00
Miss Alice B. Little	1.00
Miss Ada Jones	1.00
Miss Louie Jones	1.00
J. T. Holt	5.00
Sherward Brackwell	1.00
Josephus Daniels	25.00
W. L. Beasley	5.00
Cary J. Hunter	1.00
W. S. Johnson	2.50
Total subscribers, 376, amount ..	\$7,240.08

Help us along this hot weather. It will refresh us and make us feel good. Send to the pastor or to any one of the officers of the church.

Sincerely,

L. F. Johnson.

Palm St. Church, Greensboro.

It was the happy privilege of this writer to be with Dr. W. C. Wicker and the splendid people of our Palm St. Church, Greensboro, in a series of meetings, June 23-30. I reached the church about eight o'clock Saturday p. m. A throng of young people had gathered at the church for the purpose of enjoying an entertainment given by the Baraca Class. Of course everybody had a good time. I know I did. How could I help enjoying meeting and mingling with the young people with whom I was to work the next few days for the salvation of souls? The first part of the exercise consisted of songs, prayers, and talks on Sunday school work, which was enjoyed very much by all present. The latter part was spent around the refreshment table,

which was very enjoyable indeed. However, the beauty of it all was that everything was done in decency and in order, and even though a comparative stranger, I could not help but feel that I was among as fine young people as our country affords.

Sunday morning, June 23, it was my privilege to teach the Philathea Class, and on the last day of the meeting, June 30, I enjoyed the privilege of speaking for a few moments to the young men of the Baraca Class. These classes are doing a great work. They are drawing the young people into the leadership of the church, and putting life and vigor into the church work in general.

The first meeting of the series was on Sunday morning. There was much interest manifested in this service, and from then on there were confessions in every preaching service. The Lord wonderfully blessed the meeting, and many souls were made happy, and the church we believe, was greatly strengthened. As to results, there were some 25 or more confessions, 19 united with the church, and possibly others will join later.

Dr. Wicker is doing a great work at this church, and is justly loved by his people. The writer enjoyed every moment of his stay with this good people. In all his work he has never found a more kind and hospitable people. May the Lord abundantly bless these good friends, and prosper the work at this place.

Yours in His service,

J. F. Morgan.

Valley Letter.

The fourth Sunday in June I exchanged pulpits with Rev. H. E. Truitt. He preached at Linville and Antioch for me, and I filled his appointments at Christian Chapel and Mt. Olivet (G). I held communion services at each place, and baptized four candidates at Christian Chapel. Bro. Truitt is well thought of by his people. Both of these churches are on the east side of the Blue Ridge, and to cross the mountains once or twice a month the year round in reaching them is no little job for any preacher. What we need is a preacher stationed in that part of the field with churches enough to give him a decent support, and thus avoid the constant and laborious work of crossing the mountain. It would be far better for the churches over there, and far better for the preacher too. Bro. Truitt is looking after two mission points over there now, at one of which it was my privilege to preach during my visit. Both are considered promising points, and well worthy of our attention.

The 5th Sunday, in June was the oc-

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casion of our annual Children's Day at Bethel. A good program had been prepared and was well rendered, and an immense crowd was present to enjoy the exercises and the big dinner spread free for all. Everything passed off pleasantly, and, I think, was very much enjoyed by all. There are some of the brightest children in this community I think I have ever met anywhere, and it is a pleasure to work with them and train them in getting up a program. If properly trained we may expect some excellent church workers there among the young people.

Our Annual Conference draweth nigh. It meets at Linville on the 15, 16, and 17 of August. Churches should elect delegates, and see that their work is in proper shape for conference. Churches should also see that their report is properly filled out and sent to conference on time. If the present secretary either cannot or will not do this

NOTICE!

All ministers, delegates and visitors expecting to attend the Western North Carolina Young People's Convention, at Pleasant Hill church July, 26-28, 1912, will please notify Bro. John Murchison, Liberty N. C. R. F. D. No. 3, stating whether you will come on train or by private conveyance. Those coming by rail will get off at Liberty, N. C. where you will be met and conveyed to the church, provided you come Friday July 26, 1912.

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as it should be done they should let him down as easily as possible and elect one who can and will. Our cause suffers every year because of incompetency and carelessness of church clerks, and the conference secretary is often put to a great deal of unnecessary trouble and expense trying to get things straight.

We are hoping for a good conference this year, with much interest and a large attendance. The conference opens at 10 o'clock A. M. Plan to be there by that time. Those coming by rail will be met at Linville. We should appreciate it if you would let us know you are coming. Write or 'phone to undersigned.

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Today was wheat-threshing day with us. You know we have a large crowd every day to cook for, but today nearly 75 people ate with us, and I think they enjoyed their dinner. Not as much wheat made as last year, but we are thankful for the 116 bushels of wheat and 203 bushels of oats. You little people and friends get real busy and see if you cannot provide the other necessary 100 bushels of wheat. It will take that much to carry us safely through, and we are trusting friends to provide this for us.

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Uncle Jim.

MARRIED.

Moore-Hauptman.

On June the 20th Mr. T. R. Moore and Miss Effie S. Hauptman were united in marriage. It was a beautiful home wedding, which was witnessed by more than a hundred relatives and friends. The groom is a son of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Moore, and is a rising young business man of Harrisonburg. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hauptman, Mr. Hauptman is a prominent

farmer near Winchester. After the ceremony a beautiful supper was served to the friends attending. The bridal couple visited Washington and Richmond, and on their return came to Harrisonburg, where they will make their home. The many and costly presents received show the esteem in which the bride and groom are held by their friends, and best wishes for their success and happiness in life.

R. L. Williamson.

DIED.

Rountree.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank A Davis, near Suffolk, Va., June 17th 1912 Mrs Mary Ann Frances Rountree, aged about 68 years. She made a profession of religion when quite young and united with Damascus church and sometime after united with Liberty Spring church and died triumphantly in Jesus. She was a good Christian mother, neighbor and friend and will be greatly missed. She leaves to mourn their loss seven children, four sons, Frank, W. H., C. E. and J. L. Rountree, three daughters, Mrs. J. T. Rountree, Mrs. Frank A. Davis and Mrs. Eva Ferrell, 22 grand children, 4 great grand children, two half-brothers, one half-sister and many friends. Her funeral service was conducted by the writer assisted by Rev. I. W. Johnson and Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D. of Suffolk Va. One of her grandsons is a Christian minister, Rev. H. E. Rountree, of Waverly, Va. who was present at the funeral service and one half brother, Rev L. L. Lassiter, who is also a Christian minister of the Va. Valley Christian Conference. The funeral service was conducted at her church, Liberty Spring. There were many relatives and sorrowing friends present. Her remains were laid to rest in the family cemetery to await the coming of the Lord.

H. H. B.

Hingerty.

At her home, near Providence M. E. church, Nansemond Co., Va., June 4th, 1912.

Mrs. Ada Virginia Hingerty, the beloved wife of Mr. A. D. Hingerty, aged 36 years 3 months and one day. She made a profession of religion when a little child and united with Bethlehem Christian church and was true and faithful to the end. She was greatly beloved by all who knew her. She was a devoted wife, loving mother and a faithful friend. She will be greatly missed in her community, church and home, but our loss has been her eternal gain. She leaves a devoted

husband, three children Mary, Leone, and Clarabel; three step-children Callie Hurley and Letha Hingerty; two grand-step children, Sallie Lee and A. C. Hingerty, Jr., a devoted mother, Mrs. Mary Pruden, one sister, Mrs. J. G. Pierce, two half sisters, Mrs W. T. Bartlett and Mrs. G. A. Redd; five half brothers, J. G., A. C., J. W., M. E. Pruden and G. A. Redd and many friends. Her funeral services were conducted by her pastor at Bethlehem Christian church and her remains were laid to rest in the church cemetery. The Lord bless and comfort the dear bereaved ones.

H. H. B.

Breedlove.

Dora, daughter of the late J. W. and Virginia Breedlove, died in the triumphs of Christian faith June 17th, in the 37th year of her age.

She professed Christ when a small girl and united with Salem M. E. church in Granville County. Soon afterwards her parents moved to Durham and she joined the Christian church with them, and for twenty-five years was one of its most loyal members. During the past year declining health has prevented regular attendance, but her love and interest never abated.

She is survived by a fond mother, one brother, and six sisters. To these we extend a pastor's sympathy. The funeral was conducted by the writer with burial in Maplewood Cemetery.

J. O. Cox.

Andrews.

Henry B. Andrews was born March 11th, 1835, and died June 6th, 1912., his age being 77 years, two months, and 26 days. He had been married to his surviving wife over fifty-four years. Professed religion when a young man and united with Spring Hill Christian Church, and continued a true and loyal member, exhibiting a Christian character all the way. He was kind in his home and neighborly to all he came in contact with.

He leaves to mourn their loss the dear wife, three daughters, and a host of friends. He will be much missed and we extend to the family and loved ones our sympathy. The Lord bless and keep thee.

C. C. Jones.

Doughtie.

William Carroll, infant son of W. Carleton and Mrs. Sarah Margaret Doughtie, of Holland, Va., died June 12, 1912. aged 15 months and 22 days. The funeral service was conducted at Holland Christian church by the writer and the little body

laid away in Liberty Spring cemetery by the side of his little brother and sister. We extend our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved parents

N. G. Newman.

Hayes.

Mrs. Mary Jane Newman Hayes was born in Warren Co., N. C. April 15, 1844, was married to James H. Hayes, Feb. 15, 1866. To this union were born eight children, three now living, A. G., W. A., and M. H. Hayes.

Early in life she joined Mt. Auburn Church and remained loyal and faithful to her church till death. Her family hold their membership in their mother's church. She was sick only about two weeks and died of paralysis, June 4, 1912. Her husband died Jan. 25, 1903. She leaves two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Turnstall and Mrs. Almedia E. Rooker, and one brother, W. D. Newman all of Warren Co. Her parents were Deacon Austin Newman and Lucretia, who were great Christian workers in Mt. Auburn Church and community.

Sister Hayes was sixty-eight years, one month, and nineteen days old. She was a plain, honest, industrious, Christian woman, and managed her own affairs well.

The burial was at Mt. Auburn where she had worshipped since a child. The large attendance of both white and colored spoke of their love and last tribute to the departed friend. Beautiful flowers covered the grave. May the Lord bless and comfort the family and loved ones. Services by the Pastor.

Jas. L. Foster.

Elon College, N. C.

Silvins.

Sister Sophia Silvins was born June 17th, 1841, died May 27th 1912. For many years she had been a member of Concord Christian church.

For several years she had been a great sufferer, and though unable to attend the services of her church she seemed interested in the Lord's work, and those who knew her best testify to her noble Christian character. Services were conducted in Concord church in the presence of a large number of friends, and what was mortal laid to rest in the church cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

May God's blessings be with those left to mourn their loss.

R. L. Williamson.

Pleasant.

Mrs. M. S. Pleasant, wife of J. P. Pleasant departed this life June 16th 1912. Mrs. Pleasant had been a member of Catawba Springs church since 1887. Her

daily walk and conduct proved her to be a devoted child of God. She leaves a husband and four children. The burial services were conducted by deacon J. M. Franks. May the Holy Spirit comfort those that are left behind and prepare them to meet the departed on in a better world.

J. L. Johnson.

Franks.

On June first 1912 the death angel came into the home of W. N. Franks and took away his beloved wife, Mrs. Lora A. Franks. Mrs. Franks had been a member of Catawba Spring church since 1892. She leaves behind, to mourn their loss, a husband and several children. The burial services were conducted by Rev. Neil Rowland of Texas. May the Lord bless and comfort the bereaved.

J. Lee Johnson.

Joyner.

Whereas our heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, hath seen fit to take from our midst, our beloved sister, Mrs. Martha Joyner, and whereas Sister Joyner was one of the most faithful and most esteemed members of our church, therefore be it Resolved:

1st- That in the death of Sister Joyner Union Christian Church has lost one of its most faithful, most consistent members; one whose loyalty and devotion to her church was unsurpassed, who in all her life-work exhibited a modest, rare, Christian character.

2nd- That while we deeply feel the loss of our beloved sister, we know that our Father doeth all things well and so we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who giveth and taketh away life.

3rd- That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy; that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our church, a copy sent to the family of the deceased, and one sent to the Christian Sun for publication.

Mary R. Vaughn.

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PELLAGRA.

From one-sixth of the population of North Carolina the law requires that all deaths, with their causes and certain other data relating to sex, age, social conditions, etc., be registered in the office of Registrar of Vital Statistics at Raleigh. From this population there were reported 115 deaths from pellagra in 1910 and 176 deaths from the same disease in 1911, an increase of 52 per cent. Estimating the total deaths from this disease in the State as six times

the number occurring in the registration area of the State, there were 680 deaths from pellagra in 1910, and 1,040 deaths from the same disease in 1911. The death rate from pellagra in North Carolina is 47 per hundred thousand, just exactly twice the death rate from typhoid fever in the registration area of the United States, which comprises 54,000,000 of our national population.

A most important feature of this new disease for the public to note is that in the present state of our knowledge pellagra constitutes a national rather than a State problem. This is so for the reason that preventive measures against the disease being of equal value to the fifteen or twenty states in which the disease exists, it would be not only burdensome but manifestly economically unfair for any one State to assume the task of investigation and a discovery in which all the States suffering from pellagra are equally concerned. Problems that are common to the States, such as this disease problem, have national characteristics which the interstate, or national government should recognize and deal with. It is well that this danger be recognized and that our national government recognize its duty in this matter at once, in order that the disease may not gain such a firm foothold in the United States as it has in certain foreign countries that are now being taxed on account of the poverty and dependency incident to the disease to the extent of pounds of cure when once an ounce of prevention would have avoided their present affliction.

Once the means of preventing the spread of the disease is discovered each State can protect its own citizens by seeing that the methods of prevention are enacted into and enforced under law. The disease, therefore, after it becomes a preventable disease, will cease to be a national problem and become a State problem.

The State Board of Health, having recognized this national aspect of the disease and its tendency to rapid increase, has felt that it was its duty to call the attention of our representatives in the Congress and Senate of the United States to these facts, and to recommend that a sufficient appropriation be made and entrusted to a commission of the experts for the study of the disease with the view of discovering appropriate means for preventing its increase.

The North Carolina Medical Society, at its recent meeting at Hendersonville, passed resolutions citing the same facts as above set forth, and respectfully requesting our Representatives in the nation-

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This Department is edited by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va., assisted by the other members of the Board, to whom all items of missionary interest and matter for the Department should be sent.

WILL YOU ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE?

You read The Challenge as issued by the committee from your Woman's Board. What did you decide that you would do towards answering it? Unless you do your part, as a woman of the Southern Christian Convention, it may be that the results aimed at will not be attained. There is no reason why the women and the children of our denomination may not by May 1, 1913 raise \$1000 for missions, except, indeed, it be indifference and unconcern. If we exercise courage and faith, it will surely be done.

If you have not a society in your church, will you not see that this is not the case longer? The other day we read that most charming missionary book, "Under Marching Orders." It is the story of the life of Mary Porter Gamwell, who as a young girl gave her life to God in service in China. While reading, we were forcibly impressed with the alacrity with which she always responded to the calls or orders from her Commander, willingly, cheerfully, gladly, performing the duties that fell to her hands.

Why is it that we find it so hard to surrender our lives in service to God and so easy to make excuses for not doing that which is required of us and which God has fitted us for doing? We are not responsible for the results, but we are responsible for answering His calls to service. Let us as a united sisterhood respond to this challenge to the women of the Christian Church, and in so doing help to reopen some of our doors which have had to be closed, and to open new

ones which need to be opened. Can you be depended upon for your part?

FORWARD THE FUNDS.

It is hoped that every Treasurer of the local society is prompt to collect and to forward the dues quarterly to the Treasurer of the Conference Board. By faithfully attending to the duties of her office the Treasurer can do an efficient service for the mission cause. It has doubtless been made plain that no part of the dues is to be at the disposal of the local society, but all funds from this source are to be divided equally for the Home and Foreign work of the Southern Christian Convention. This is necessary that there may be some basis for planning and conducting the work. The experience of other Boards has proven the efficiency of this course and it is the part of wisdom for us to profit by their experience.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

Miss Ruby Michael, Rev. J. V. Knight, and the writer attended the session of the Young People's Convention of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference at Monticello last week as the representatives of the Sunday-school Organized Class, and Christian Endeavor Society of the College Church.

Miss Jessie Williams, matron of the Orphanage, was called to the bed-side of her niece in Nashville, Tenn., a few days ago. Miss Williams is still with her niece, who, however, is reported as improving.

Dr. Atkinson returned from a week's trip on behalf of the Publishing House in Eastern Virginia on Saturday. More than one-half the stock requisite to build and equip the plant is now subscribed. Here are congratulations. I do not believe any Church in the land has more loyal members than those of our own.

The regular preaching Sunday for the pastor here is the fourth, but the pastor desired to be absent the fourth Sunday and so it was arranged to have it for July on the third Sunday. The theme of the discourse was: The possibilities in man, and it was treated in a most edifying fashion by our eloquent Dr. Atkinson.

Rev. L. I. Cox left Saturday to begin a protracted service with the O'Kelly's Chapel congregation, and Dr. T. C. Amick went on that day to fill Brother Cox's appointment at Parks' Cross Roads.

The Vacation Number of the College Bulletin came from the press on last Wednesday and has been mailed to many per-

sons. A few more copies are on hand and can be had for the asking. The Bulletin seeks to portray the spirit of the College by certain utterances of those who may be regarded as speaking for it. Dr. Staley's eloquent address on Christian Education delivered at the recent session of the Southern Christian Convention is preserved permanently in it.

Mrs. John T. Moffitt and children are visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Herndon, who have recently moved from Durham to their home here.

Miss Eula Virginia Long, our next year's Art teacher, and Mrs. J. Adolph Long, of Graham, N. C., were pleasant visitors to the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Boone last Friday. Miss Long is enthusiastic over her work and is planning largely for its success.

Miss Sadie Fonville visited Misses Alma and Lili Newman the past week. Miss Sadie is one of the faculty of the Burlington Graded Schools the coming year.

Mrs. W. L. Smith has returned to her home from the Salisbury Hospital, where she recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis. Her many friends will rejoice to know that she is doing well.

Little Margarette Simpson, daughter of Brother H. C. Simpson, of Greensboro, is summering with Mrs. W. S. Tate and Miss Mamie.

Prof. and Mrs. W. P. Lawrence and children have returned from a vacation visit to friends and relatives in Randolph County.

Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Cox and children have returned to their home in Durham after a few days spent in Elon, the garden spot of the earth.

The local Church voted its pastor and co-pastor a month's vacation to be taken during the month of August. The pastors accepted with becoming gratitude and promised to preach if they were here at the appointed time just the same. Such pastors are worth while.

Prof. N. F. Brannock, whose family is spending the summer with Mrs. Brannock's family in Mebane, was here one day last week, in good spirits and ready for a big opening.

Mr. J. P. Farmer, News Ferry, Va., was a pleasant caller to our town Sunday. We are always glad to greet the students of former days.

Dr. W. C. Wicker is back from a pleasant trip in Eastern North Carolina and reports things very bright for the College in that section. He preached twice in Haw River Sunday.

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